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TO Whom It May Concern:

I am writing in response
to an article in my local news-
paper, concerning children's TV
programs. DOCKET FILE COPY ORIGINAL

I am an elementary teacher
and have the privilege of staying
home with my 2 small children
this year. I feel that there is
quality kids TV during the day,
but also feel and see a need
for more. Today's society is not
experiencing the best
and we need to be concerned
and responsible for the young children.
They are tomorrow's adults!

Please put more educational
children's television shows on the
air ways. You owe it to the children
and to their parents who are
disgusted with the sex & violence on
TV during the daytime hours.

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Sirs:

I would like to comment on Childrens programming on television.

I feel so sorry for the little children today who have to grow up without ever having the opportunity to be a little child because of the horrors that they see on television every day. What a shame! Is it any wonder that they are committing adult crimes when they are children? They have no way of knowing that when you shoot or injure someone that it really hurts or that they really die.

I think that the Cartoons should really be cleaned up. They are so violent.

I am a 72 year old grandmother

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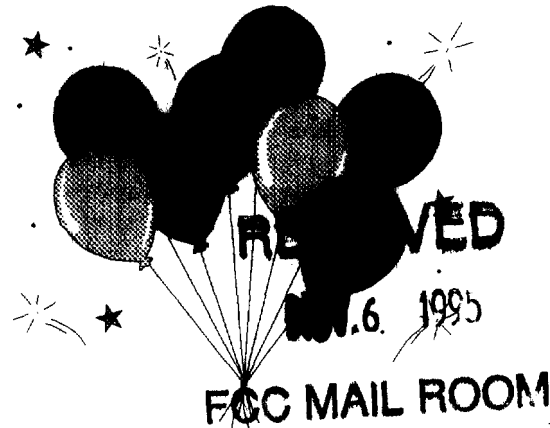
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Mr Secretary,

At this time my children, ages 16, 14, 12, 10, 6, 4, and 2, are not allowed to watch even Saturday morning TV. It is filled with violence and mind washing. Our family watches maybe 16 hours of TV a month, and all of that time is selected for content. We view everything the children view. If we do not feel it is appropriate it is turned off. Conversely, we watch a lot of videos, these too are selected for content and approved by me or my husband.

I know that not every parent feels they have time to do this, but we make the time. My husband and I both work forty hours a week and we have seven children if we can make time then every parent can make time. Our children are heavy into sports and extracurricular activities. By keeping our children, and consequently ourselves, busy we hope to keep them out of trouble.

It would be refreshing to be able to let my children watch Saturday morning cartoons and not have to worry about whether or not they are having their views formed for them or not. Saturday morning should be a time that parents can let their child watch TV without these worries. When I heard *Power Rangers* was to be taken off of TV I jumped for joy. The few times the boys have watched this program all they did after was kick and jump at each other until someone got hurt.

I have discussed with my oldest children what they would like to see. They thought educational programs would be the best. Two of our daughters get straight "A's" and two struggle for the C's that they get. The two that struggle thought that if they had help on TV (they could get out of chores) they might be able to get some concepts they are struggling with.

We have an opportunity in front of us. We can take this opportunity and run with it or we can botch it up. With the technology we have today there is no reason why our preschoolers can not receive all of their preschooling at home with mommy in front of the TV.

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I sit for hours with my 2 year old in front of Sesame Street and other similar shows. He enjoys it because it is mommy time, I enjoy it also for the same reason, but also because he is so ready to learn, so ready to absorb everything that is dished out to him.

Why can't we teach our children how to speak Spanish, German, or French on Saturday morning--we have the technology. Give a lesson in preschool reading, we have to many children graduating without the ability to read--Why. Sports take up a large part of our children's lives, give them lessons in these sports on TV. With technology being what it is today there really is not limit to what we can teach our children on TV. If our children are spending 23 hours or more a week watching TV give them something to soak-up.

The way it is right now our children learn that gang type behavior is okay, killing is okay, being difficult with a grownup (not just a parent) is okay, and the society will let you get away with almost anything if you are under age. Are these things the messages that we really want to give to our children.

Contrary to what it may sound, I do not have a lot of extra time to spend trying to block out the programs I do not want my children to watch and yes if they go to someone else's house they do get to watch a lot of programs that I have said no to. But they do not get a steady diet of them, that is very important.

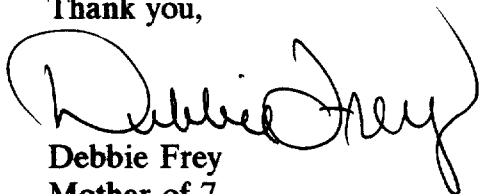
Daycare providers are seeing more and more violence in children under the age of 5, society should be asking why. I am by no means an expert, but I blame a lot of it on what our children see on TV. I am told that my son is an angel, well if he is it is because he sees love, understanding, and communication as a way to get what you want, not a punch or to take something that you want by force, or to malign someone to get it.

Instead of giving our children the wrong messages, let us give them the right messages. Let us teach them that families should be strong units, that giving is as good as and sometimes better then receiving, and that violence does not need to be a part of our day to day lives.

With more and more single parent households and teenage households teach parenting skills, help these people learn how to parent. Let's face it parenting skills are not a given just because that person is a parent. Instead of trash movies, put on games that parents and children can do together. I know this sounds idealistic and it probably is, but I feel that we have got to turn society around or we are in for some really rough times. Things are just beginning.

If we are going to brain wash our children let us do it with the three R's, languages, and other learning tools. Let's keep them learning and make it a better place--I hope for them and us.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Debbie Frey". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end.

Debbie Frey
Mother of 7

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Persons Concerned:

I have three children, ages 9, 10, and 13 years of age. I teach high school kids labeled emotionally disturbed. My husband is a high school band director. We are not prudes. But the only option we have at this point concerning television programming is simply to turn it off. There are almost NO shows on network television a family can watch together at this time. Your programming is so rampant with sex, violence, or both that we are totally disgusted with our options.

My concern is the Children's Television Act that is being reviewed at this time. A bare MINIMUM of children's programming during the week should be at least three hours weekly. If you continue to allow the vast wasteland to slip into more and more sexual programming, you will soon find yourselves part of the group that caused the fall of a great society. The arrogance of network presidents concerning the justification of their programming is overwhelming. They cannot be trusted to choose carefully what they present for consumption. Thus, you MUST take more of a leadership role in regulation. PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE think of families as you review the Children's Television Act.

Sincerely,

Cynthia Leiran-Monroe

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Dear Federal Communications Commission:

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I am a preschool special education teacher and would like to comment on the quality of television programming. First of all, we (my students and I) LOVE Sesame Street and Barney. They also enjoy the Puzzle Place and I like Preschool Power. As you may have noticed all these programs are being shown on PBS. I like the high quality of programming on the PBS channel and would like to see more of the same kind of programming on the other TV stations.

Secondly, the advertisement on Saturday mornings needs to be improved. I see the same commercials for the same toys, candies, and foods over and over again and often at least four times within the hour. I realize that the companies that run those commercials are the ones paying for the programming. However, I feel there needs to be some restrictions on the commercials directed to children and the amount of times the same commercial is shown within an hour.

Last, I would like to thank you for this opportunity to comment on television programming offered to children.

Sincerely,
Gayle Oguro
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